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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 19, 1916

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at the Harvard Club, New York, on October 14. There were present President Carver and Messrs. T. S. Adams, Babson, Fairchild, Mitchell, and Young. President Carver gave an account of his plans for the Twenty-ninth Annual Meeting, and there was an informal discussion of the program and of the general arrangements for the meeting.

At the previous annual meeting a resolution presented by Mr. R. R. Bowker was referred to the Executive Committee for action.¹ This resolution, which provided for the appointment of a special committee of five members on coördination, efficiency, and economy in taxation was, upon motion, adopted. President Carver has appointed the persons whose names follow as members of this committee: R. R. Bowker, chairman, H. C. Adams, T. S. Adams, Ogden L. Mills, and H. L. Lutz.

Upon motion of Professor T. S. Adams it was voted that the Editorial Board be asked to consider the advisability of publishing a bi-monthly journal made up of reprints and abstracts of articles and information on current economic problems, with a view to its use in connection with elementary courses in economics.

Upon motion of the Secretary it was voted to authorize the Committee upon Secondary Education in Economics to expend not more than \$500 in securing information as to the present status of instruction in economics in secondary schools.

No other meeting of the Executive Committee was held during the year.

Under authorization given at the previous annual meeting, the President and Secretary have appointed Messrs. E. T. Towne, F. R. Clow, and G. O. Virtue members of a special Committee on Secondary Education in Economics.² The President has also appointed the following specially-authorized committees: "To consider the advisability of the publication by the Association of an annual or occasional prize monograph, and to report upon plans and rules for the competition, if such be deemed advisable":³ Messrs. F. W. Taussig, M. B. Hammond, H. J. Davenport. To make recommendations for the invest-

¹ *Papers and Proceedings*, 28th Annual Meeting, p. 217.

² *Papers and Proceedings*, 28th Annual Meeting, p. 219.

³ *Papers and Proceedings*, 28th Annual Meeting, p. 217.

ment of some of the Association's funds: Messrs. R. W. Babson, S. B. Pearmain, W. Z. Ripley.

The changes in our list of members and subscribers are as follows:

New members added	266
New subscribers added	53
Total additions	— 319
Members resigned	138
Members removed for lack of address.....	6
Members dropped for non-payment of dues.....	72
Subscriptions discontinued	35
Deaths	21
Total subtractions	— 272
Net gain	47

Our members and subscribers now number 2489. This is the first year since our annual dues were increased from three dollars to five in which there has been a net gain in our membership. Now that our rolls have been pruned of the names of most of those who are not sufficiently interested in our work to continue to pay the increased annual dues it is to be hoped that each successive year may show some increase in our membership. With the continued help of those of our members who are actively interested in our work a period of steady growth in numbers and influence now seems possible. During the past year an especial effort has been made to increase the number of life members.

The Secretary regrets that he has to report the deaths of the members whose names follow:

ALLEN, WILLIAM F.
 FERGUSON, RICHARD H.
 GARDY, WILLIAM R.
 GORTON, ADELOS
 GRAY, JOHN C.
 GARRARD, JEPHTHAH
 HEWITT, C. M.
 HILL, JAMES J. (Life Member)
 HOXIE, ROBERT F.
 KEPPLER, THEODORE L.
 LEROY-BEAULIEU, PAUL (Honorary Member)

LIBBY, CHARLES F.
 LOW, SETH (Life Member)
 LASKER, MORRIS
 LYMAN, ARTHUR T.
 MELIUS, GEORGE E.
 NEVILLE, GEORGE W.
 SCHWAB, JOHN CHRISTOPHER
 SYMMES, FRANK J.
 VAILE, JOEL F.
 WELLS, EMILIE LOUISE

Respectfully submitted.

ALLYN A. YOUNG,
 Secretary.